

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: M. MURAMATSU, et al.

SERIAL NO. : 10/022,695

FILED: December 20, 2001

FOR : METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF GERANYLGERANIOL

AND ANALOGOUS COMPOUNDS THEREOF BY

MICROORGANISMS

GROUP ART UNIT : 1651

EXAMINER : I. Marx

CUSTOMER NO. : 23838

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

SIR:

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time for entry of the previously submitted Amendment of January 13, 2005, in response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2004, for which a three-month response period expiring on January 15, 2005 was set. The one-month extended period expires on February 15, 2005. A Request for Continued Examination is submitted herewith.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 202-220-4200 to discuss any matter regarding this application. The Office is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$120.00 for the Petition for an Extension of Time and any additional fees under §§ 1.16 and 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

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Respectfully submitted,

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